





### Winter 2012 Newsletter

## Stay Connected to Village News and Information

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It is easier now more than ever before to keep up to date on Village of Lincolnshire information and activities. The following are various ways for residents and businesses to access Village information, receive updates on Village news and services, and make requests or inquiries. Each of these programs enables the Village to provide the best services possible to you.



Did you know you can submit service requests to Village staff or find answers to frequently asked questions on the Village's website? Check out the LincolnshireLink. LincolnshireLink is the

Village's online request and resource portal. This online service allows you to make an inquiry, report a problem, or create a service request. Simply click on the LincolnshireLink logo on the Village's homepage and follow the prompts to create and submit a request or inquiry. Through LincolnshireLink you can create your own account which will allow you to view the status of your request(s). With this service, you can even choose to receive email status updates from Village staff as your request is processed.

Lincolnshire E-News – This past September, the Village of Lincolnshire debuted the Lincolnshire E-News. The "E-News" is a weekly email newsletter providing timely information about Village programs and services as well as community events. To sign up to receive the Lincolnshire E-News, visit the Village's website today and click on the "Email Update Link" in the left-hand column. From there, you can elect to receive either the Lincolnshire E-News, emails on construction updates, or both. Sign up today! The Lincolnshire E-News is the easiest way to automatically receive regular updates from the Village.



**Facebook** – Would you like to be a Village of Lincolnshire "fan"? Find the Village of Lincolnshire on Facebook. From your own Facebook account, you can "like" the Village of Lincolnshire Government page, and begin receiving updates about Village programs and services and upcoming events. Using social media is a great way to connect to your community. If you want to be in-the-know and receive timely updates about news, events and information in and around Lincolnshire, consider visiting the Village's Facebook page.







## Stay Connected to Village News and Information (con't)

<u>www.village.lincolnshire.il.us</u> - Keep up with the latest Village news, upcoming meetings and community events by visiting the Village's website. From the Lincolnshire homepage, you can access a calendar of Village events, Village news, Village Code, meeting agendas & minutes and a variety of other information and resources.

**Lincolnshire Emergency Notifications** – The Village of Lincolnshire is currently using an emergency notification system. The system is operated by Blackboard Connect and allows you to sign up to receive emergency alerts on your cell phone, work phone, text message, e-mail, home phone, and more. Visit the Village's website at <a href="https://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us/news-updates/news-and-tips/connect-cty">www.village.lincolnshire.il.us/news-updates/news-and-tips/connect-cty</a> to create an account and manage how you would like to receive emergency notifications.

## **Village Board Continues Commitment to Reduce Property Tax Bill**

At its December 10, 2012 meeting, the Village Board is expected to approve the tax levy for Fiscal Year 2013. For the seventeenth consecutive year, the tax levy will only be used to cover expenses related to employee pensions. Property taxes will not be used to fund Village operations or debt service. The amount requested for the 2013 tax levy is projected to be 6.4% or \$91,601 less than the 2012 levy. This significant reduction is due to the Village Board's decision to fund \$200,000 of the Village's police pension fund obligation with existing resources. By reducing the originally requested police pension levy by \$200,000 (from \$1,056,822 to \$856,800) the Village Board anticipates residents will see a reduction in the Village's portion of their property tax bill compared to the current year.

The Village's tax rate is the product of the (1) total value of Village assessable property (residential and commercial) divided into (2) the total tax levy requested by the Village. The tax rate is then applied to each property's assessed value. You can find the Village of Lincolnshire tax rate and related dollar amount of the tax on your property tax bill on the line: "Village of Lincolnshire Pension".

For more than thirteen years, the Village of Lincolnshire's portion of a resident's total property tax bill has held consistently at between 2% to 3%. The other ten taxing bodies, levying property taxes on Lincolnshire properties, make up the other 97% of a resident's property tax bill. Lincolnshire's local school districts comprise the largest portion of the property tax bill paid by residents, with nearly 72% of the total bill going to these entities.

A complete breakdown of property tax rates from all the taxing bodies that make-up a typical residential tax bill will be included in the next newsletter. The detailed breakdown will show just how Lincolnshire property tax dollars are distributed among the various taxing bodies within the Village boundaries.





## **Shop Lincolnshire This Holiday Season**

With the holiday season fast approaching, we hope you will once again make Lincolnshire your destination for holiday shopping and get-togethers. From a variety of apparel and home furnishing/gift stores, to unique entertainment venues and spas, Lincolnshire is sure to have what you are seeking. A gift card from more than 20 Lincolnshire restaurants, cafés and specialty dessert outlets is a wonderful present for those who appreciate fine and family dining. If you are looking for a quality retreat close to home, please look no



further than our resort and hotels. The Village Shop & Dine Guide and 'New Business' listings, available on the Village website under the Business tab are åguides to local offerings. To learn more about Lincolnshire's businesses or opening a Business in the Village, please contact Tonya Zozulya, Village Planner, at 847.913.2313 or tzozul@village.lincolnshire.il.us.

### **Lincolnshire Welcomes New Businesses**

The Village welcomes the following seven new businesses to the community:

**Eddie Merlot's Restaurant** - (<u>www.eddiemerlots.com</u>) now open at 185 Milwaukee Avenue in the Village Green Retail Center specializing in prime aged beef and seafood. To obtain their menu and store hours, visit the Eddie Merlot's website or call 847.276.2000.

**Le Beau Nails & Spa** - (<u>www.lebeaunails.com</u>) a new salon and spa at 275 Parkway Drive, in the CityPark Retail Center. To make an appointment call 847.353.3818.

**Liquid Fusion Café** - (<u>www.liquidfusioncafe.com</u>) serves assorted hot and cold beverages and snacks (with bubble teas as their specialty), at their location at 275 Parkway Drive, in the CityPark Center. For store hours and menu, contact Liquid Fusion at 224.676.1356.

**Sally's Nail Spa** is now open at 300 Village Green, in the Village Green Retail Center. For salon hours and to schedule an appointment call 847.383.6484.

**Spex** - (<u>www.spexchicago.com</u>) an eyewear retailer, plans to open a new location in the near future at 185 Milwaukee, in the Village Green Center. In addition to eyewear products, the store will provide optometric services. For more information about Spex, please visit their website.

**Sysmex America** - (<u>www.sysmex.com</u>) a global company, based in Japan, specializing in medical diagnostic testing equipment and information service technology services recently relocated its North American headquarters to an existing Class A, LEED-certified (an environmental designation by the US Green Building Council), 170,000-square foot office building at 577 Aptakisic Road.

**Tropical Smoothie Café** - (<u>www.tropicalsmoothie.com/locations</u>) is open at 275 Parkway, in the CityPark Retail Center. The café offers gourmet flat breads, wraps, sandwiches, salads and smoothies. The café can be reached at 224.676.1099.





## **Forestry and Environment**

#### **Emerald Ash Borer Updates**

As you know, the Village has an infestation of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). All ash trees, left untreated, are expected to die within the next five to ten years. The Village is currently under contract with a company to provide Emerald Ash Borer treatments to selected trees in the Village parkways. Residents are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the early signs of EAB and identify any Ash trees you wish to save. Residents may take advantage of volume pricing and contract with the same company at the Village treatment rates. If you are interested in Emerald Ash Borer treatments and would like more information on the company the Village has contracted with and those rates, please contact Chris Fisher at *cfishe@village.lincolnshire.il.us* or 847.913.2365.

#### **Tree Adoption Program**

Residents may "adopt" a tree for their property FREE of charge. The Village arborist will work with you to help you select a tree for your property, find the best location and have the tree delivered and planted for you — at no charge. Please complete the Tree Adoption Form located on the Village website at <a href="https://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us/departments-services/environment-and-trees/trees">www.village.lincolnshire.il.us/departments-services/environment-and-trees/trees</a>, click on Private Property Tree Adoption Program and submit the application packet by March 1, 2013. Trees will be planted in late May or early June.



#### **Tree Removal Permits Required**

All trees measuring six (6") inches or greater in diameter at approximately 4.5 feet above the ground, may not be removed without the authorization of the Village.

Additionally, any 6" grouping of trees, may not be removed without a tree removal permit. Please call 847.883.8600 x2361 to obtain a tree permit.

#### **Coyotes in Lincolnshire**

Coyotes are an important part of our native ecosystem and are wild animals. February and early March are breeding season for coyotes. Pups are born approximately 60 days later in late April or May. Coyotes will be more active in February and early March so you may hear more howling and see more activity. If you don't want coyotes in your yard, do not provide an "attractive nuisance". This would be any food source, i.e., garbage, pet food, food compost, etc.; or a home source, i.e., wood pile, access points under porches or decks, holes in the ground, etc. Please remember if you have small dogs, do not leave them unattended for long periods of time. If you see coyotes regularly in your yard, make their visit uncomfortable, bang on pots, sound a horn, etc. If you observe an aggressive, fearless coyote please report it immediately by calling the Lincolnshire Police dispatch center at 847.883.9900.





## **Enjoy the Activities of the Season: Information About Ice Skating & Sledding in the Village**

- •Spring Lake Park Open skating from dawn to dusk when it is safe to skate. Signs will be posted on the beach end of the lake advising users when it is unsafe.
- •North Park Ice skating is prohibited.
- •Rivershire Park Ice skating and sledding are prohibited.
- •Residential Outdoor Ice Rinks Please place your personal ice rinks 5' from your property lines. It is also important to be aware, if the rink adds any structure above grade such as "hockey boards" or walls, to contain the ice and the entire rink must meet the property line setbacks found in the Zoning Ordinance. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact the Community Development Department at 847.913.2310 or e-mail Linda Jones at *ljones@village.lincolnshire.il.us*.

## Winter Weather Tips & Information From the Village

#### Snow Removal in the Village

The Village is responsible for over 40 miles of roadway. Cleaning the roadways of snow and ice can take up to six hours once the snow has stopped falling. Please be aware, parking on the roadways after an accumulation of one inch or



more is prohibited by Village Code. Village Code also prohibits privately contracted services from depositing snow into the streets. Snow plows will leave some snow at the end of the driveways, and it is the resident's responsibility to clear this snow. If you discover damage to your lawn or mailbox after the plow has passed, please call Wendy Moderhack at 847.913.2380. Public Works Department crews will make repairs to the damage as soon as possible.

#### Tips for Shoveling

- •To limit the amount of snow that may be pushed back into your driveway, shovel snow to the right as you face the street.
- Make a pocket on the left side of your driveway for the snow plows to dump into and not on your cleared driveway.
- •Please clear the walkways of snow and ice for pedestrians and school children.

#### **Help!** Clear Fire Hydrants

There are 800 fire hydrants in the Village. It is difficult for Public Works personnel to locate and shovel out each of these fire hydrants when snow accumulates. Please help clear the snow around fire hydrants in your areas. This will help the Fire Department to be able to locate them quickly if needed. Thank you!

#### **Protect Water Lines from Freezing**

- •Keep home temperatures no lower than 55F.
- •In extreme cold, allow cold water to drip through faucets.
- Open Cabinets and closets containing water lines to allow warm air to circulate around the plumbing.
- Consider installing pipe insulation.
- Periodically check pipe insulation.





## Stormwater Management Information

## Floodplain Benefits

A floodplain is the low-lying area adjacent to streams, rivers, lakes, and, in some cases, even low spots that do not normally hold water. Floodplains provide a wonderful habitat for many species of wildlife and plants. Floodplains can serve as a natural buffer to absorb water during periods of heavy rain. Due to their benefits, the Village has adopted special regulations to govern construction in floodplains. For more information about these regulations, contact Village Engineer Jennifer Hughes at 847.913.2380 or <a href="mailto:jhughe@village.lincolnshire.il.us">jhughe@village.lincolnshire.il.us</a>.

### Flood Information

Technical advice on how to protect your home from flooding and FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps are available at the Village Hall. Contact Rob Horne, Engineering Supervisor, at 847.913.2366 or *rhorne@village.lincolnshire.il.us*, to view available resources.

## Control Sump Pump Discharge

Village Code requires residents to redirect their sump pump discharges to their own property from November 1st through April 1st. This is done to prevent ice buildup in the streets.

### Clean Your Grates

Clean your grates! In the fall, spring and after heavy rains, be sure to check the storm sewer grates on the street by your house and in your yard. Grates clogged with leaves and trash can cause flooding. If the debris is large, contact the Public Works Department at 847.913.2360 for assistance.

## Report Illegal or SuspiciousDumping

Call 847.913.2360 to report any illegal or suspicious dumping. Please leave a location, approximate time, date and any other information you have that could be helpful.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

Waste Management North is the single waste hauler for most residents in Lincolnshire. If you have any old major appliances you wish to discard, call Waste Management. For a fee they will take it away. If you have questions or problems, the waste hauler can be reached at 800.796.9696 or 630.724.8400. If you are a member of a Homeowners' Association, check with your Homeowners' Association to verify if Waste Management is your wastehauler.

**Comcast** - To contact Customer Service call 866.594.1234, Internet Service call 888.262.6300, Telephone Service call 800.266.2278. If you don't get satisfaction, contact Leslie Ulibarri at the Village of Lincolnshire, 847.913.2336.

**Drop Mail Box at the Village Hall** - There is a "Drop Box" in the circle at the front of the Village Hall, One Olde Half Day Road. Staff checks it daily.

**Recycling** -The Lincolnshire Riverwoods Fire Protection District is a household chemical waste collection satellite. They collect materials typically twice per month – by appointment. Call 847.634.2512 to set up an appointment. For Electronics Recycling, please note that the following locations provide electronics collection:

- Village of Vernon Hills (Public Works Facility), 490
   Greenleaf Drive on Monday Friday, 7:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.
   (excluding holidays).
- •Vernon Township (Road District Facility), 3050 N. Main Street, Buffalo Grove, Monday Friday 9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.
- •City of Highland Park (Firearms Training Center), 1180 Half Day Road, ONLY Tuesdays and Fridays, 7:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. (excluding holidays).

For additional locations, please visit the SWALCO website at <a href="https://www.swalco.org">www.swalco.org</a>.

For Clothing and Household Goods there are a number of charitable organizations and below are four options:

- •Salvation Army, 340 Townline Rd, Mundelein, 847.566.0820.
- •Goodwill, 761 S Midlothian, Grayslake, 847.566.0636.
- Vietnam Veterans (will pick up materials), 800.470.5133.
- Purple Hearts (will pick up materials), 877.851.8111.





## BE SAFE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON LINCOLNSHIRE POLICE OFFERS HOLIDAY CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

As the holiday season begins, burglars, thieves and con artists will be out with vigor looking for their next victim. The following are important tips from the Lincolnshire Police Department to help ensure a safe and secure holiday season for you and your family.

#### **Home Security**

- Avoid displaying gifts where they can be seen from high visibility areas.
- Contact delivery services and arrange to have packages delivered to a neighbor if you will not be home to receive them.
- Consider simple outside decorations.
- Set lights on timers inside your house.
- Always lock your doors and windows, even if you only plan to be gone for a short time. If you have an alarm system, be sure to activate it.
- Compact or dispose of packaging discreetly. A stereo or big-screen television box at the end of your driveway could make your house a prime target for a burglar.
- Notify the Police Department at 847.883.9900 if you will be away on vacation. Police Personnel will issue a house watch for your home.
- Establish a neighbor network and develop a plan for notification regarding absences and protection of each others property.

#### **Staying Safe While Shopping**

- Always lock your car and close the windows. Lock all merchandise or packages in the trunk of your car. If you do not have a trunk, place items in the area least visible to a would be car burglar.
- Shop with a partner. Have your car or house key in your hand as you approach the door.
- Be aware of your surroundings and the people around you. Look inside your car and around it as you approach.
- Carry a purse under your arm, and keep your wallet in an inside coat pocket.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Plan your shopping trips. Instead of one big shopping trip, try several small ones.
- Park in well-lighted areas that will remain well-lighted when you return to your car.

### Keeping Your Credit and Identity Safe

- If you write checks, use only the necessary information, such as name, address, and phone number. Never give your social security number.
- Safeguard your credit cards and checks as you do cash.
- Keep your purse or wallet on you and in an area that is inconspicuous. Do not lay them in a shopping basket. Shoulder straps should cross your body and not dangle from your shoulder.
- Take your time when making purchases. Be sure you collect your license, credit card, and checkbook along with your receipt.
- If you are the victim of a crime, REPORT IT TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!







## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**



## **Village Sponsors Toys for Tots Annual Collection**

Once again, the Village of Lincolnshire is hosting a collection box for "Toys for Tots" during the holiday season. The collection box will be placed by the reception desk at the Village Hall starting Monday, November 19, 2012 and ending Thursday, December 19, 2012.

Mayor Blomberg has made Toys for Tots an **annual charity** in the Village, and the Village encourages businesses and residents to hop on board! To get a Toys for Tots box delivered to your business, call Gunnery Sergeant Stephenson at 847.688.7129, Ext. 313. Please help fill the box with toys for children this holiday season.

## Village Offices - Closed for the Holidays

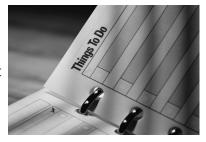
The Mayor, Board of Trustees and the Village staff extend their best wishes to you for a safe and joyful holiday season. The Village Hall and Police Administrative offices will be closed on Monday, December 24, 2012 and Tuesday, December 25, 2012, in observance of the Christmas holiday. Village offices will also be closed on Tuesday, January 1, 2013, to celebrate the New Year holiday.

As always, in emergencies, the Lincolnshire Police are just a phone call away at 911. Non-emergency calls should be made to 847.883.9900.

# **Lincolnshire Community Nursery School 2013 - 2014 Open Registration**

Open Registration for 2013 - 2014 enrollments begin December 5, 2012 at 30 Riverwoods Road, Lincolnshire, IL 60069. For more information or to

register contact Director Amy Morrissey at 847.945.1450 or visit www.lcns.org.



## **Lincolnshire Holiday Tree Lighting**

Lincolnshire Community Association is making the holiday a little brighter with its annual Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration on Sunday, December 2, 2012 from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m at The Village Green.

Contact LCA Chair:

feedback@lincolnshirecommunity.org or visit www.lincolnshirecommunity.org

## School District 103 Registration & Information

- Pre-school Screening, December 5, 2012 at Laura
   B. Sprague School, 2425 Riverwoods Rd. from 8:00
   a.m. 11:00 a.m. For more information, contact
   Julie Postma, Director of Student Services at
   847.295.4030.
- Kindergarten Registration begins December 7,
   2012 at Laura B. Sprague School, 2425 Riverwoods
   Rd. from 9:15 a.m. 3:00 p.m. For more
   information, contact Christy Adler, Principal at
   847.945.6665 or visit <a href="https://www.sp.d103.org">www.sp.d103.org</a>.
- •Annual Book Fair Fundraiser will be held on December 1, 2012 at Barnes & Noble, Lincolnshire from 9:00 a.m. 9:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.dist103pto.weebly.com.





## **Upcoming Meetings**

#### **Architectural Review Board**

December 18, 2012 - 7:00 p.m. (Third Tuesday) January 15, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. (Third Tuesday) February 19, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. (Third Tuesday)

#### **Board of Trustees/Committee of the Whole**

December 10, 2012 - 7:00 p.m. (Second Monday) January 14, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. (Second Monday) January 28, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. (Fourth Monday) February 11, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. (Second Monday) February 25, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. (Fourth Monday)

#### **Lincolnshire Council of Presidents**

January 16, 2013 - 7:30 p.m. (Third Wednesday)

#### **Park Board**

December 17, 2012 - 7:30 p.m. (Third Monday) January 21, 2013 - 7:30 p.m. (Third Monday) February 18, 2013 - 7:30 p.m. (Third Monday)

#### **Zoning Board**

December 11, 2012 - 7:00 p.m. (Second Tuesday) January 8, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. (Second Tuesday) February 12, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. (Second Tuesday)

**Board of Trustees** 

**Engineering Supervisor** 

**Utilities Supervisor** 

### **Meeting Rebroadcasts**

All Regular Village Board Meetings, Committee of the Whole Meetings, Architectural Review Board Meetings, Park Board Meetings and Zoning Board Meetings are broadcast live on the Village's government access cable channel #10 on the date and time shown on the Village Meetings Calendar. All Regular Village Board Meetings, Committee of the Whole Meetings, and Park Board Meetings are rebroadcast the Thursday following the meeting at 9:00 AM. All Architectural Review Board and Zoning Board Meetings will be rebroadcast on the Friday following the meeting at 9:00 AM.



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Police & Fire Telephone Numbers

Police, Fire and Medical Emergency: 911
Police Administration Offices: 847.883.9900

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